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REPLACEMENT THERAPY

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 2, delete "or 2";

Claim 4, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims" and insert --Claim 1--;

Claim 5, line 1, delete "one of the preceding claims" and insert --Claim 1--;

Claim 7, line 1, delete "or 6".

REMARKS

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiple dependent claims in order to avoid the additional fee. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

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